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Section	7	Transportation and trips (N.J.A.C. 10:126-6.7)	

§10:126-6.7 Transportation and trips

- (a) Whenever the provider transports enrolled children, the provider shall comply with all applicable State laws and/or rules regarding:
 - 1. The use of infant seats, child passenger restraint systems and seat belts pursuant to New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission Law (N.J.S.A. 39:3-76.2a);
 - 2. The possession of a valid automobile driver's license and valid vehicle inspection sticker; and
 - 3. The possession of vehicle liability insurance.
- (b) The provider shall ensure that the parents of all enrolled children are informed when their children are taken on walks away from the home. The provider may utilize a blanket permission slip for taking children on walks only if:
 - 1. Walks are within the provider's neighborhood;
 - 2. The provider makes arrangements for the handling of visits or calls from parents either by:
 - i. Having someone remain at the home; or
 - ii. Utilizing a cellular telephone or telephone answering machine, and posting a notice on the entrance door of the home to inform parents of the children's location;
 - 3. The route of the walk involves no safety hazards; and
 - 4. The walk involves no entrance into a facility unless the facility has been indicated on the blanket permission slip.
- (c) The provider shall inform the parent(s) of enrolled children in advance of any field trip(s), outing(s) or special event(s) involving the transportation of children away from the home, including whether a school bus, school vehicle or

private passenger vehicle is used, and whether the driver will be a staff member, a parent or another person. Before taking a child on such a field trip, outing or special event, the provider shall either:

- 1. Secure individual permission slips signed by a parent for his or her child(ren) for each proposed trip, outing or special event;
- 2. Post a notice of a proposed individual field trip, outing or special event in a place of prominence within the home, on which a parent shall be asked to sign consent for his or her child to attend; or
- 3. Issue to every parent a written schedule of all field trips, outings or special events to be taken during any given time frame (that is, weekly, monthly, yearly). A parent shall be asked to sign this schedule indicating his